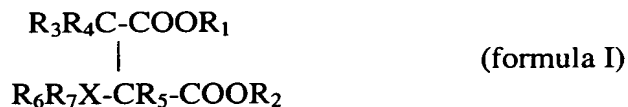


A¹ Most preferably, (c) is from 0.001 to 5 %wt of a compound according to the following formula I



in which R₁ and R₂ are each hydrogen or alkyl or hydroxyalkyl of 1 to 30 carbon atoms; R₃, R₄ and R₅ are each hydrogen or alkyl or hydroxyalkyl of 1 to 4 carbon atoms; X is CH or N and R₆ and R₇ are each hydrogen, alkyl or alkenyl of 1 to 30 carbon atoms, or an acyl group derived from a saturated or unsaturated carboxylic acid of up to 30 carbon atoms. Preferably, R₁ and R₂ are each an alkyl of from 3 to 6 carbon atoms, R₃, R₄ and R₅ are each hydrogen, X is N and R₆ and R₇ are each an alkyl of 15 to 20 carbon atoms or an acyl group derived from a saturated or unsaturated dicarboxylic acid containing 4 to 10 carbon atoms, at least one of R₆ and R₇ being an acyl group. Especially preferred is aspartic acid, N-(3-carboxy-1-oxo-2-propenyl)-octadecyl-bis(2-methylpropyl)ester. Such aspartic acid esters are commercially available. Processes for preparing such compounds having been described in EP-A-434 464.

IN THE CLAIMS

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Please cancel claims 2 and 3.

- A²
1. (Amended) A hydraulic fluid comprising a lubricant base oil in combination with
 - (a) from 0.001 to 5 %wt of magnesium salicylate,
 - (b) from 0.01 to 8 %wt of zinc dithiophosphate; and,
 - (c) from 0.001 to 5 %wt of a compound according to the following formula I



in which R₁ and R₂ are each hydrogen or alkyl or hydroxyalkyl of 1 to 30 carbon atoms; R₃, R₄ and R₅ are each hydrogen or alkyl or hydroxyalkyl of 1 to 4 carbon atoms; X is CH or N and R₆ and R₇ are each hydrogen, alkyl or alkenyl of 1 to 30 carbon atoms, or an acyl group derived from a saturated or unsaturated carboxylic acid of up to 30 carbon atoms.

- A³
4. (Amended) The hydraulic fluid of Claim 1, wherein the weight ratio of magnesium salicylate to zinc dithiophosphate ranges from 1:5 to 1:100; and, the weight ratio of magnesium salicylate to the compound of Formula I ranges from an amount greater than 1:0 to 1:50.